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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312
AND REQUEST FOR RETURN OF FORM PTO-1449

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312, Applicants request entry of the following amendment of the above-identified patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 10, 11, 13-15, 17-19, 22 and 30, as follows:

1.   (Amended) In a computer system comprising a processor and a memory, a method for detecting viruses in macros, the method comprising:

obtaining comparison data including information for detecting a virus;

retrieving a macro;

decoding the macro to produce a decoded macro; and

scanning the decoded macro for a virus by comparing the decoded macro to the comparison data;

wherein the comparison data includes a first suspect instruction identifier and a second suspect instruction identifier;

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